

11. The lessee shall be held responsible for the occurrence of any fire within the State Forest if there is sufficient ground for the Forest Department to think that it has been caused by his negligence or by that of his employees.

12. Neither the lessee nor his men shall enter the State Forest either before sunrise or after sunset.

13. In the event of breach of any of the above conditions the lease is liable to be cancelled all the produce, collected to be confiscated and a fine up to the limit of Rs. 100 may be levied by the District Forest Officer.

M. VENKATNAENAPPA,
Dt. Forest Officer, Shimoga Dist.

COORG FOREST DEPARTMENT.

ANNUAL TIMBER SALES.

Notice dated Mercara, 24th June 1903.

Tenders will be received up to 15th October 1903, for the following quantities of timber felled and logged departmentally in the forests of the Cauvery, Hatgat and Mawkal Ranges at fixed rates varying with locality which may be obtained on application to the undersigned:—

Teak	...	...	...	...	33,000 c.ft.
Rosewood (Biti)	...	...	...	...	8,000 "
Pterocarpus marsupium (Honné)	...	...	...	...	23,000 "
Terminalia tomentosa (Matti)	...	...	...	...	18,000 "
Lagerstroemia microcarpa (Nandi)	...	...	...	...	9,000 "

2. Every tender for 3,000 c.ft. or upwards must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 100 in currency notes, covers containing tenders should be addressed to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Coorg, Mercara, and duly registered and superscribed "Tender for Timber."

3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests will be at Periyapatam on the 15th October 1903 for the purpose of allotting timber amongst tenderers, who are recommended to be present or be represented by duly accredited agents on the occasion, when the locality of logs or other information relating to accepted tenders may be obtained.

4. The Deputy Conservator of Forests does not bind himself to allot timber for the whole or any portion of any tender, and he is at liberty to dispose of the whole or any portion of the supply available, previous to allotment, should this course prove to be advantageous in the interests of Government.

5. In the interests of fire conservancy the forests will be closed against the removal of timber in the fire season, which, it may be stated for the information of intending purchasers, is generally a period varying from 6 weeks to two months commencing from about the middle of February; but which is liable to be reduced or extended according to the character of the season. Certain depots in or adjoining the forests will, however, be set apart and remain open throughout the whole of this period for the removal of timber for the convenience of those purchasers who may choose to collect timber therein in order to avoid the inconvenience of an interruption of their transport operations during the fire season.

6. The rates and conditions of sale are regulated by Notification No. 19, dated 23rd April 1903 of the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, for copy of which or further information apply to the undersigned.

C. MCCARTHY, Dy. Conservator of Forests, Coorg.

CENSUS DEPARTMENT.

Notice dated 30th July 1903.

Sealed tenders superscribed "Tenders for the purchase of slip paper" and addressed to the undersigned, are invited for the purchase of written and unwritten Census slips to be sold as waste paper at the Census Office, Abshot House, Sankey Road, High Ground, Bangalore.

2. The slips measure 7" x 5" each; there are about 2½ maunds of them of half-bleached paper and about 1,200 maunds of them of brown cartridge paper, both together estimated to weigh about 1,203 maunds (more or less).

3. A cash deposit of Rs. 25 must accompany every tender, which should reach the undersigned on or before Friday the 28th August 1903, after which date no tender will be received.

The tenders shall specify the rate per maund (40 seers of Rs. 24 each) at which the tenderer is prepared to buy up the entire stock by actual weightment, and the precise address to which intimation of acceptance should be sent.

4. The tenders will be opened by the undersigned at noon on Saturday the 29th August 1903 in the presence of such tenderers or their authorized agents as may choose to be present. The final disposal of the tenders rests with the Director of Statistics and Census Superintendent in Mysore, who does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender nor to assign reasons for so doing.

5. The deposits of rejected tenders will be returned.